

GMAT Sentence Correction Practice Paper 4

Question 1

It is ironic that while the word “perfect” is considered to be the highest compliment possible, calling someone a “perfectionist” is perceived by many as anything but

- a) considered to be the highest compliment possible, calling someone a “perfectionist” is perceived by many as anything but
- b) considered the highest possible compliment, calling someone a “perfectionist” is perceived by many as anything but
- c) considered as the highest compliment that is possible, calling a person “a perfectionist” is perceived as nothing much by many
- d) considered the highest compliment possible, calling a person “a perfectionist” is perceived as anything but by many
- e) considered the highest possible compliment, calling someone “a perfectionist” is perceived by many as nothing much

Question 2

Jane Austen has firmly joined Shakespeare not just as a canonical figure but also as a symbol of Literature itself - the hazel-eyed woman in the mobcap as iconic now as the balding man in the doublet.

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- g) Jane Austen is as firm a canonical figure as a symbol of literature itself, like Shakespeare; the hazel-eyed woman in the mobcap and the balding man in the doublet are both iconic.
- h) Jane Austen, the hazel-eyed woman in the mobcap, and Shakespeare, the balding man in the doublet, have firmly joined together as a canonical figure and a symbol of literature.
- i) Jane Austen is as iconic as Shakespeare; The hazel-eyed woman in the mobcap and the balding man in the doublet are not only firmly joined as canonical figures but as symbols of literature itself.
- j) Jane Austen has firmly joined Shakespeare not only as a canonical figure but also as a symbol of Literature - the hazel-eyed woman in the mobcap has been becoming as iconic now as the balding man in the doublet.

Question 3

NASA reports that ancient observers took note of solar eclipses at least as far back as 2500 BC, as evidenced by surviving records from ancient Babylon and China.

- k) as evidenced by surviving records from
- l) as the evidence that has survived from the records of
- m) as shows the evidence of records surviving in

- n) as the surviving records show the evidence of
- o) as evidenced by records that have survived in

Question 4

The sense of elitism in the art world is deepened by the fact that the determination of the authenticity of long-lost works of reputed renaissance-era painters such as Da Vinci is usually not possible by just scientific analysis and forensics but need the expert 'eye' of the connoisseurs.

- p) painters such as Da Vinci is usually not possible by just scientific analysis and forensics but need
- q) painters like Da Vinci is usually not possible by just scientific analysis and forensics but also needs
- r) painters such as Da Vinci is usually not possible by just scientific analysis and forensics but also needs
- s) painters like Da Vinci are usually not possible by just scientific analysis and forensics but also needs
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Question 5

With the private space industry at the early stages of a launch revolution – it is expected that the number of launches is going to increase dramatically – it has become imperative to study the effects of the plume of exhaust that a rocket leaves in its wake on the stratosphere and the ozone layer.

- u) it has become imperative to study the effects on the stratosphere and the ozone layer caused by the plume of exhaust that a rocket leaves in its wake
- v) studying the effects on the stratosphere and the ozone layer caused by the plumes of exhaust left by rockets in their wake has become imperative
- w) the plume of exhaust left by a rocket in its wake has to be studied for its effects on the stratosphere and the ozone layer
- x) the study of the plumes of exhaust that rockets leaves in their wake and of the effect on the stratosphere and the ozone layer has become imperative
- y) it has become imperative to study how the plumes of exhaust that a rocket leaves in its wake affects the stratosphere and the ozone layer

Question 6

Occupying a small portion of the island of Borneo, the tiny country of Brunei Darussalam had been having a low number of international visitors until 2017, when the numbers, attracted by its famously pristine rainforests, increased by 20%.

- z) the tiny country of Brunei Darussalam had been having a low number of international visitors until 2017, when the numbers, attracted by its famously pristine rainforests, increased by 20%
- aa) the number of international visitors to the tiny country of Brunei Darussalam was low till 2017 when they began to be attracted by its famously pristine rainforests, leading to an increase in numbers by 20%

- bb) the tiny country of Brunei Darussalam saw, in 2017, a 20% increase in the previously low number of international visitors because the tourists were attracted to its famously pristine rainforests
- cc) the tiny country of Brunei Darussalam increased its number of international visitors by 20% in 2017, leading to an attraction for its famously pristine rainforests.
- dd) the international tourists visiting the tiny country of Brunei Darussalam increased their previously low numbers by 20% in 2017, owing to their attraction to its famously pristine rainforests.

Question 7

Despite smartphones and easy accessibility for social networks, almost half of the millennials – people reaching young adulthood in the 21st century – are feeling isolated and lonely.

- ee) Despite smartphones and easy accessibility for social networks,
- ff) Although having smartphones and accessing social networks easily,
- gg) Despite them using smartphones and easily accessing social networks,
- hh) Despite their smartphones making access to social networks easy,
- ii) Although there is an increasing use of smartphones and easy accessibility for social networks,

Question 8

Given that Agatha Christie wrote 66 novels and 14 short story collections, all of which are still in print in multiple formats and dozens of languages, sceptics would be well advised to admit defeat on the issue of whether or not she sold more books than any other novelist ever has.

- jj) admit defeat on the issue of whether or not she sold more books than any other novelist ever has
- kk) be defeated on the issue of whether she sold more books than every other novelist
- ll) admit defeat on the issue of whether she sold more books than any other novelist ever has
- mm) admit defeat on the issue of whether or not she sold more books than any other novelist ever has
- nn) be defeated on the issue of whether she sold more books than every other novelist

Question 9

With surface temperatures estimated at minus 130 degrees Fahrenheit, Jupiter's moon Europa has long been considered far too cold to support life, and with 60 square miles of water thought to be frozen from top to bottom.

1. Europa has long been considered far too cold to support life, and with
2. Europa has long been considered far too cold to support life, its
3. Europa has long been considered as far too cold to support life and has
4. Europa, long considered as far too cold to support life, and its
5. Europa, long considered to be far too cold to support life, and to have

Question 10

Based on records from ancient Athens, each year young Athenian women collaborated to weave a new woolen robe that they used to dress a statue of the goddess Athena and that this robe depicted scenes of a battle between Zeus, Athena's father, and giants.

1. Based on records from ancient Athens, each year young Athenian women collaborated to weave a new woolen robe that they used to dress
2. Based on records from ancient Athens, each year young Athenian women had collaborated to weave a new woolen robe with which to dress
3. According to records from ancient Athens, each year young Athenian women collaborated to weave a new woolen robe that they used to dress
4. Records from ancient Athens indicate that each year young Athenian women collaborated to weave a new woolen robe with which they dressed
5. Records from ancient Athens indicate each year young Athenian women had collaborated to weave a new woolen robe for dressing